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Docket No.: Applicants: Fredy Scheifele 01-110

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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND REQUEST FOR REFUND

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks United States Patent & Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby claims that the above-identified patent application is entitled to small entity status.

Consonant with 37 C.F.R. 1.28(a), Applicant respectfully requests a refund in the amount of \$355.00 for the excess filing fee paid.

If any fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

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Dear Sir:

Please make of record the attached certified copy of Swiss Patent Application No. 2000 1630/00, filed August 22, 2000, the priority of which is hereby claimed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119.

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